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7	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT					
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11	In re:	Case No.:	: 2:23-bk-10990-NB			
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13	Debtor.		OF MOTION AND MOTION OF R 11 TRUSTEE FOR ORDER			
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17		POINTS .	AL PROPERTY; MEMORANDUM OF AND AUTHORITIES; DECLARATION			
18		THEREO	DLEY D. SHARP IN SUPPORT DF			
19		DATE:	October 7, 2025			
20		TIME: PLACE:	2:00 p.m. 255 East Temple Street,			
21		CTRM:	Los Angeles, California 1545 (or via Zoom per posted procedures)			
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TO THE HONORABLE NEIL W. BASON, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE, THE DEBTOR, BARBARA KLEIN, THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE, **ALL CREDITORS, AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:** 

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, Bradley D. Sharp, in his capacity as Chapter 11 Trustee (the "Trustee") of the bankruptcy estate of Leslie Klein, the debtor herein (the "Debtor"), hereby moves (the "Motion") this Court for entry of an order authorizing the Trustee to (i) abandon to the Debtor and his wife Barbara Klein ("Barbara") any and all personal property (the "Personal Property")

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located at 322 N. June Street, Los Angeles, California (the "June Street Property") in accordance with the terms and the deadline set forth below, or (ii) donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, any and all Personal Property located at the June Street Property that is left unclaimed by the Debtor and Barbara.

The Personal Property located at the June Street Property is subject to (i) Barbara's claims of ownership and the Debtor's exemption claims, both of which issues would have to be litigated, perhaps through appeals, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, and (ii) costly sale, staging, storage and removal expenses, all before the Trustee could hope to obtain any value therefrom for the bankruptcy estate. As the Court is aware, the Trustee now controls the June Street Property. While evaluating the Personal Property, the Trustee allowed the Debtor to identify those items that he would not dispute belong to the bankruptcy estate. This resulted in relatively few items that Barbara would not claim as her own.1

After soliciting bids from sales professionals and considering all of the aforementioned circumstances, the Trustee has determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property is unduly burdensome and of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate.

The Trustee has communicated with counsel for the Debtor and Barbara regarding this issue and the Trustee is informed by their counsel that, on or after October 15, 2025, the Debtor and Barbara will be prepared to remove those items of the Personal Property they wish to retain. Accordingly, the Trustee seeks an order allowing him to abandon any and all of the Personal Property that the Debtor and Barbara wish to keep to them and that the Debtor and Barbara be required to actually remove such items from the June Street Property on or before October 31, 2025 (the "Property Removal Deadline"), at their sole expense and via suitable reasonable arrangements made with the Trustee via his advisors. The Trustee further requests that the order state that upon expiration

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Moreover, the Debtor claims that his wholly controlled entity, EKLK Foundation, owns the book collection in the June Street Property and the Debtor's counsel asserts that the Marital Deduction Trust of Erika Klein owns certain of the Personal Property. To the extent these allegations are true, it is irrelevant to the Trustee since they are without value. As those entities are controlled by the Debtor, abandonment of the items they are alleged to own will be entrusted to the Debtor and accomplished by giving the Debtor the opportunity to remove the items described herein. (It is worth noting, however, that the Court has previously held that the Marital Deduction Trust is a self-settled trust with any property it owns therefore belonging to the bankruptcy estate.)

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of the Property Removal Deadline, the Trustee may donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the estate, any and all Personal Property then remaining at the June Street Property.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, a hearing to consider the Motion has been scheduled for October 7, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard before the Honorable Neil W. Bason, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in Courtroom 1545, 255 East Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Motion is based on this Notice of Motion and Motion, the Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the declarations of Jeffrey W. Dulberg, and Bradley D. Sharp annexed hereto, the record in this chapter 11 case, as well as any other documentary evidence as may be presented to this Court at or before the hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(f), if you wish to oppose the Motion, you must file a written response with the Court and serve a copy of it upon the undersigned counsel no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing on the Motion. The failure to properly file and serve an opposition may be deemed consent to the relief requested in the Motion or a waiver of any right to oppose the Motion.

**WHEREFORE**, the Trustee respectfully requests that this Court enter an order (a) granting the Motion; and (b) granting the Trustee such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: September 8, 2025

PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP

By /s/ Jeffrey W. Dulberg
Jeffrey W. Dulberg

Counsel for Bradley D. Sharp, Chapter 11 Trustee

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# PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

The Trustee seeks entry of an order authorizing the Trustee to either abandon to the Debtor and his wife Barbara Klein ("Barbara"), donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, any and all personal property (the "Personal Property") located at 322 N. June Street, Los Angeles, California (the "June Street Property"). The Trustee is focused upon readying the June Street Property for sale.

The Personal Property located at the June Street Property is subject to (i) Barbara's claims of ownership and the Debtor's exemption claims, both of which issues would have to be litigated, perhaps through appeals, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, and (ii) costly sale, staging, storage and removal expenses, all before the Trustee could hope to obtain any value therefrom for the bankruptcy estate. As the Court is aware, the Trustee now controls the June Street Property. While evaluating the Personal Property, the Trustee allowed the Debtor to identify those items that he would not dispute belong to the bankruptcy estate. This resulted in relatively few items that Barbara would not claim as her own.<sup>2</sup>

After soliciting bids from sales professionals and considering all of the aforementioned circumstances, the Trustee has determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property is unduly burdensome and of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate.

The Trustee has communicated with counsel for the Debtor and Barbara regarding this issue and the Trustee is informed by their counsel that, on or after October 15, 2025, the Debtor and Barbara will be prepared to remove those items of the Personal Property they wish to retain. Accordingly, the Trustee seeks an order allowing him to abandon any and all of the Personal Property

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Moreover, the Debtor claims that his wholly controlled entity, EKLK Foundation, owns the book collection in the June Street Property and the Debtor's counsel asserts that the Marital Deduction Trust of Erika Klein owns certain of the Personal Property. To the extent these allegations are true, it is irrelevant to the Trustee since they are without value. As those entities are controlled by the Debtor, abandonment of the items they are alleged to own will be entrusted to the Debtor and accomplished by giving the Debtor the opportunity to remove the items described herein. (It is worth noting, however, that the Court has previously held that the Marital Deduction Trust is a self-settled trust with any property it owns therefore belonging to the bankruptcy estate.)

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that the Debtor and Barbara wish to keep to them and that the Debtor and Barbara be required to actually remove such items from the June Street Property on or before October 31, 2025 (the "Property Removal Deadline"), at their sole expense and via suitable reasonable arrangements made with the Trustee via his advisors, including that any professionals used by the Debtor or Barbara (e.g. moving company) must maintain appropriate insurance coverage and provide a certificate of insurance to the Trustee prior to being permitted to enter the June Street Property. The Trustee further requests that the order state that upon expiration of the Property Removal Deadline, the Trustee may donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the estate, any and all Personal Property then remaining at the June Street Property.

# **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

The Court has jurisdiction over this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). Venue for proceedings on this Motion is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

# **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

### **General Case Background**

On February 22, 2023, the Debtor commenced a voluntary chapter 11 case in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California (Los Angeles Division) Case No. 23-10990.

On May 23, 2023, and in response to certain creditors seeking to dismiss the Debtor's case, the Court denied the motion to dismiss and instead instructed the Office of the United States Trustee (the "*UST*") to appoint a chapter 11 trustee to administer the Debtor's Estate and chapter 11 case. In response, the UST filed a Notice of Appointment of Chapter 11 Trustee [Docket No. 151]. On May 24, 2023, the UST filed an Application for Order Approving Appointment of Trustee and Fixing Bond [Docket No. 154], which was approved by order entered the same day [Docket No. 155]. On that same day, the Trustee accepted his appointment [Docket No. 156], as the chapter 11 trustee of the Estate.

#### **B.** Administration of the June Street Property

The Trustee filed a complaint styled as *Sharp v. Leslie Klein*, et al., Adv. Case No. 24-01140, seeking to quiet title on, and obtain full value from, the June Street Property and to avoid any unrecorded transfers or other interests by virtue of section 544(a)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.

The Defendants, including the Debtor and Barbara (collectively, the "*Defendants*"), contended that the June Street Property is owned by the "Marital Deduction Trust," which was purportedly established by the Debtor and his late spouse (Erika Klein) at the time of her death; and that Barbara holds a life-estate in the June Street Property.

On December 18, 2024, Judge Sandra Klein ruled from the bench and granted summary judgment on all counts in the Trustee's complaint. The Court entered an order on December 20, 2024, formally granting the summary judgment motion in favor of the Trustee and against the Defendants. The Court found that the June Street Property is property of the estate (and that the Debtor's living trust is "self-settled" and the property therein is in fact property of the estate) and that all of the unrecorded interests or transfers were avoided. [Adv. Docket No. 62] (the "Summary Judgment Order").

On January 3, 2025, the Defendants appealed the Summary Judgment Order [Lead Case No. 23-10990, Docket No. 67] to the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel ("*BAP*") (BAP Case No. 25-1002). On May 29, 2025, the BAP heard oral argument and on June 5, 2025, issued a memorandum decision [BAP Docket No. 20] affirming the Summary Judgment Order in all respects. On June 18, 2025, Defendants filed a Petition for Panel Rehearing [BAP Docket No. 24], which was denied by the BAP on August 6, 2025 [BAP Docket No. 25].

On January 17, 2025, the Trustee filed a motion for turnover of the June Street Property (the "*Turnover Motion*"), which was heard on February 12, 2025, and approved by order entered on February 13, 2025 (the "*Turnover Order*"). In deciding the Turnover Motion, the Court found that the Trustee holds the power to exercise or enforce all legal and equitable rights relating to the June Street Property. Under the terms of the Turnover Order, the Debtor and all occupants of the Property were to have vacated and delivered possession of the June Street Property to the Trustee no later than

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thirty (30) following entry of the Turnover Order, i.e., March 17, 2025. The Debtor failed to honor the terms of the Turnover Order.

On February 26, 2025, the Debtor and the Defendants appealed the Turnover Order [Docket No. 939] to the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel (BAP Case No. 25-1037). On June 12, 2025, the BAP heard oral argument and on June 18, 2025, issued a memorandum decision [BAP Docket No. 21] affirming the Turnover Order in all respects.

On March 18, 2025, the Trustee filed a motion to enforce the turnover of the June Street Property to the Trustee (the "Turnover Enforcement Motion") [Docket No. 962]. The Turnover Enforcement Motion sought, (a) to compel the Debtor and all occupants to vacate the June Street Property, (b) to direct and authorize the United States Marshals Service, or any other law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, to enforce the Turnover Order to restore control and possession of the June Street Property to the Estate and the Trustee, and (c) to authorize the Trustee to remove any personal property left at the June Street Property and to place such personal property in a storage unit that would then be made available to Debtor.

On April 10, 2025, the Court granted the Turnover Enforcement Motion. [Docket No. 1015] (the "Enforcement Order"). Pursuant to the Enforcement Order, the United States Marshals Service provided notice to the Debtor that he must surrender possession of the June Street Property on or before May 4, 2025, or he and any others will be removed. On May 6, 2025, the Trustee's representatives and the United States Marshals Service were able to gain entry to the June Street Property because the Debtor relinquished occupancy. The Trustee has been in possession of the June Street Property since that time.

On July 2, 2025, Jeffrey W. Dulberg, counsel for the Trustee, sent correspondence to Eric Olson, Debtor's attorney, advising that the Trustee would be liquidating the personal property left behind at the June Street Property, but before doing so, would provide the Debtor with the opportunity to remove certain items to the extent the Debtor holds a valid and enforceable exemption. In his letter, Mr. Dulberg further advised that if those items were not removed by August 14, 2025, the Personal Property would be sold, donated or abandoned as necessary. See letter dated July 2, 2025, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. After being provided with numerous opportunities by the Trustee

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property. In addition, the Debtor holds and asserted exemptions in certain of the Personal Property which the Trustee would have difficulty overcoming and which reduce the value of these assets to the estate. Thus, the Personal Property located at the June Street Property is ultimately subject to (i)

within which to visit the June Street Property to identify and remove certain items, the Debtor and

Barbara ultimately identified the majority of the Personal Property as Barbara's sole and separate

Barbara's claims of ownership and the Debtor's exemption claims, both of which issues would have to be litigated, through appeals, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, and (ii) costly sale, staging, storage and removal expenses, all before the Trustee could hope to obtain any value therefrom for the bankruptcy estate. While evaluating the Personal Property, the Trustee allowed the Debtor to identify those items that he would not dispute belong to the bankruptcy estate. This resulted in relatively few items that Barbara would not claim as her own.<sup>3</sup> After soliciting bids from sales professionals and considering all of the aforementioned circumstances, the Trustee has determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property is unduly burdensome and of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate.

# IV. **ARGUMENT**

Section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that, "[a]fter notice and a hearing, the trustee may abandon any property of the estate that is burdensome to the estate or that is of inconsequential value and benefit to the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 554(a); see, e.g., Midlantic Nat'l Bank v. N.J. Dep't of Envtl. Prot., 474 U.S. 494, 497 (1986), reh'g denied, 475 U.S. 1091 (1986). In evaluating decisions to abandon property of the estate, courts focus on whether such decision reflects a business judgment made in good faith. See, e.g., In re Cult Awareness Network, Inc., 205 B.R. 575, 579 (Bankr. N.D. Ill. 1997) (citations omitted); In re Wilson, 94 B.R. 886, 888-889 (Bankr. E.D. Va. 1989); In re Moore, 110 B.R. 924, 928 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 1990) ("The choice of which type of action [is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See footnote 2, supra.

appropriate to liquidate the assets of the estate] belongs to the trustee within the sound exercise of the trustee's business judgment so long as the trustee fulfills his statutory duties.").

The Trustee has determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property is not in the best interest of the estate. The Personal Property is unduly burdensome and of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate. The Personal Property located at the June Street Property is subject to (i) Barbara's claims of ownership and the Debtor's exemption claims, both of which issues would have to be litigated, through appeals, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, and (ii) costly sale, staging, storage and removal expenses, all before the Trustee could hope to obtain any value therefrom for the bankruptcy estate. There are relatively few items that Barbara would not claim as her own which means that the Trustee would have to overcome Barbara's claims of ownership for much of the Personal Property. This naturally mitigates against the value of these assets for the estate. After soliciting bids from sales professionals and considering all of the aforementioned circumstances, the Trustee has determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property would be unduly burdensome, and the property is of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate.

The Trustee, therefore, submits that the standard set forth in section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code is satisfied. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"** is a draft proposed order granting this Motion.

# V. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth herein, the Trustee respectfully requests that the Court enter an order authorizing the Trustee to (i) abandon to the Debtor and his wife Barbara any and all Personal Property located at the June Street Property in accordance with the terms and the deadline set forth hereinabove, or (ii) donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, any and all Personal Property located at the June Street Property that is left

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# **DECLARATION OF BRADLEY D. SHARP**

I, Bradley D. Sharp, declare as follows:

- 1. I am the duly appointed, authorized and acting chapter 11 trustee in the above-captioned bankruptcy case of Leslie Klein. If called upon to testify, I would testify to the facts set forth in this Declaration.
- 2. I make this Declaration in support of the Motion of Chapter 11 Trustee for Order Authorizing (A) Abandonment of Personal Property Located at 322 N. June Street, Los Angeles, California to the Debtor and Barbara Klein, and (B) Donation or Disposal of Unclaimed Personal Property (the "*Motion*").<sup>4</sup>
- 3. I filed a complaint styled as *Sharp v. Leslie Klein*, et al., Adv. Case No. 24-01140, seeking to quiet title on, and obtain full value from, the June Street Property and to avoid any unrecorded transfers or other interests by virtue of section 544(a)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 4. The Defendants, including the Debtor and Barbara contended that the June Street Property is owned by the "Marital Deduction Trust," which was purportedly established by the Debtor and his late spouse (Erika Klein) at the time of her death; and that Barbara holds a life-estate in the June Street Property.
- 5. On December 18, 2024, Judge Sandra Klein ruled from the bench and granted summary judgment on all counts in my complaint. The Court entered an order on December 20, 2024, formally granting the summary judgment motion in my favor and against the Defendants. The Court found that the June Street Property is property of the estate (and that the Debtor's living trust is "self-settled" and the property therein is in fact property of the estate) and that all of the unrecorded interests or transfers were avoided. [Adv. Docket No. 62].
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Motion.

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honor the terms of the June Street Turnover Order.

7. On January 17, 2025, I filed a motion for turnover of the June Street Property, which was heard on February 12, 2025, and approved by order entered on February 13, 2025. In deciding the Turnover Motion, the Court found that I hold the power to exercise or enforce all legal and equitable rights relating to the June Street Property, including all authority to perform all acts as its owner. Under the terms of the Turnover Order, the Debtor and all occupants of the Property were to have vacated and delivered possession of the June Street Property to the Trustee no later than thirty (30) following entry of the June Street Turnover Order, *i.e.*, March 17, 2025. The Debtor failed to

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- 10. On April 10, 2025, the Court granted the Turnover Enforcement Motion. [Docket No. 1015]. Pursuant to the Enforcement Order, the United States Marshals Service provided notice to the Debtor that he must surrender possession of the June Street Property on or before May 4, 2025, or he and any others will be removed. On May 6, 2025, my representatives and the United States Marshals Service were able to gain entry to the June Street Property because the Debtor relinquished occupancy. I have been in possession of the June Street Property since that time.

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- 12. The Personal Property located at the June Street Property is subject to (i) Barbara's claims of ownership and the Debtor's exemption claims, both of which issues would have to be litigated, through appeals, at the expense of the bankruptcy estate, and (ii) costly sale, staging, storage and removal expenses, all before I could hope to obtain any value therefrom for the bankruptcy estate. While evaluating the Personal Property, I allowed the Debtor to identify those items that he would not dispute belong to the bankruptcy estate. This resulted in relatively few items that Barbara would not claim as her own. After soliciting bids from sales professionals and considering all of the aforementioned circumstances, I have determined that further administration of the Personal Property at the June Street Property would be unduly burdensome and therefore the assets are of inconsequential value to the bankruptcy estate. Therefore, in my business judgment, I believe that abandoning, donating, or disposing of the Personal Property would be in the best interest of the Estate.
- 13. Through my counsel, I have communicated with counsel for the Debtor and Barbara regarding this issue and I am informed by their counsel that, on or after October 15, 2025, the Debtor and Barbara will be prepared to remove those items of the Personal Property they wish to retain. Accordingly, I seek an order allowing me to abandon any and all of the Personal Property that the Debtor and Barbara wish to keep to them and that the Debtor and Barbara be required to actually remove such items from the June Street Property on or before October 31, 2025, at their sole expense and via suitable reasonable arrangements made with my advisors, including that any professionals

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14. I further request that the order state that upon expiration of the Property Removal Deadline, I may donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the estate, any and all Personal Property then remaining at the June Street Property.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 2nd day of September, 2025, at San Juan Capistrano, California.

Bradley D. Sharp

# **EXHIBIT A**

From: Jeffrey Dulberg

Sent: Wednesday, July 2, 2025 2:24 PM

To: eric@ejolsonlaw.com

Cc: 'Leslie Klein' < les.kleinlaw@gmail.com >; leskleinlaw@gmail.com

Subject: Klein - Personal Property at 322 N. June St.

Mr. Olson - Please see the attached letter of even date.

Best,

# **Jeffrey Dulberg**

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Via E-mail: Eric@EJOlsonLaw.com

Eric J. Olson, Esq. **EJOLSONLAW** 301 East Colorado Boulevard Suite 520 Pasadena, California 91101

Re: In re Leslie Klein, Case No. 2:23-bk-10990-SK

Dear Mr. Olson:

Pursuant to his duties under section 1106 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Trustee plans to liquidate the personal property (as described below, the "Personal Property") located at 322 N. June St., Los Angeles, CA (the "June St. Property") as property owned by the Leslie Klein bankruptcy estate. However, before the Trustee conducts an auction or otherwise disposes of the Personal Property, he will provide Mr. Klein with an opportunity to remove certain items of the Personal Property to the extent he holds a valid and enforceable exemption under section 522 of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable California law.

Subject to the conditions and exceptions set forth below, the Trustee will provide Mr. Klein a designated day (to be determined) to identify the Personal Property that he wishes to retain, and a designated day to physically remove the designated Personal Property from the June St. Property (likely August 14, 2025) at Mr. Klein's sole expense.

If any of the Personal Property first identified by Mr. Klein is not removed by August 14, 2025, such Personal Property will be sold, donated or otherwise discarded as set forth below.



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# **Property Subject to Exemption Which Mr. Klein MUST** Remove OR Abandon His Claim

**Description Exempt Amount** 

TV's, Phones, computers ("Electronics") \$3,000 Sports and Hobby Equipment \$2,000 Clothes and Shoes \$2,000

The Trustee is granting Mr. Klein permission to remove and keep all Electronics, Sports and Hobby Equipment, Clothes and Shoes. All other Personal Property may not be removed by Mr. Klein, or any other party related to him.

For the categories listed above, Mr. Klein may remove and keep <u>any</u> items that he wishes, however, to the extent he elects to leave behind any items in these categories, as of August 15, 2025, he will be deemed to have abandoned his interest in the items in these categories. In those cases, the Trustee will then sell the remaining items in these categories and **not** turn over the proceeds to Mr. Klein.

# Property Subject to Exemption Which Mr. Klein May NOT Remove

- Books or Art Objects: No Exemption Claimed by Mr. Klein
- Household Furnishings: Exempt Amount \$8,000
- Furs and Jewelry: Exempt Amount \$9,525

No Books or Art Objects will be allowed to be removed as Mr. Klein claimed a zero exemption in this category. No couches, coffee tables, dining room tables with chairs, mattresses with bedframes, wall mirrors, desk with chairs, lamps, rugs, dressers, kitchen table, patio furniture, cabinets, refrigerators, and other household items (collectively, "Household Furnishings") may be removed. The Trustee will sell all Household Furnishings and Mr. Klein will be entitled to the first \$8,000 in net sale proceeds, after costs of sale (including but not limited to sale/auctioneer fees, expenses, taxes, etc.).

The Trustee is not in possession of the furs, diamond ring, gold necklace, diamond earrings, gold rings and costume jewelry (collectively, "Furs and Jewelry") referenced in Mr. Klein's



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bankruptcy schedules. Pursuant to section 542 of the Bankruptcy Code, Mr. Klein is obligated to account to the Trustee for the Furs and Jewelry. In the event he does so, the Trustee will sell all Furs and Jewelry and Mr. Klein will be entitled to the first \$9,525 in net sale proceeds, after costs of sale (including but not limited to sale/auctioneer fees, expenses, taxes, etc.).

The Trustee will file a motion with the Court seeking authority to sell the Personal Property subject to the exemptions and procedures described herein. We believe that it would be productive to engage in a discussion regarding the Personal Property and the exemptions before filing the motion so that the Trustee can attempt to align the motion with any resolutions or disagreements between them.

Please review and let me know when we can discuss.

Thank you

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey W. Dulberg

JWD:mrv

# **EXHIBIT B**

<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Motion.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:
adequate and appropriate under the circumstances and no further notice be given, and therefore
appropriate, and in the best interests of the estate (the "Estate"); and (2) notice of the Motion was
support of the Motion, the Court finds that (1) the relief requested in the Motion is reasonable,
Based upon the Court's review of the Motion and the Declaration of Bradley D. Sharp in

- 1. The Personal Property located at the June Street Property is abandoned pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 554(a).
- 2. The Debtor and Barbara Klein ("Barbara"), at their sole expense, must remove items of Personal Property that they wish to retain from the June Street Property on or before October 31, 2025 (the "Property Removal Deadline").
- 3. Any professionals used by the Debtor or Barbara (e.g. moving company) must maintain appropriate insurance coverage and provide a certificate of insurance to the Trustee prior to being permitted to enter the June Street Property.
- 4. Upon expiration of the Property Removal Deadline, the Trustee is authorized to donate to a suitable charitable organization, or dispose of, at the expense of the Estate, any and all Personal Property then remaining at the June Street Property.

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# PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is: 10100 Santa Monica Boulevard, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (specify): NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION OF CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE FOR ORDER AUTHORIZING (A) ABANDONMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED

DONATION OR DISPOSAL OF UNCLAIMED PERSONAL PROPERTY; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES; DECLARATION OF BRADLEY D. SHARP IN SUPPORT THEREOF served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and (b) in the manner stated below:						
1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF): Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (date) September 8, 2025, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below:						
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Via Email: Eric J Olson: eric@ej  Leslie Klein: les.klein leskleinlaw@gmail.co						
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I declare under penalty of p	perjury under the laws of the Unit	ed State	s that the foregoing is true and correct.			
September 8, 2025	Nancy H. Brown		/s/ Nancy H. Brown			
Date	Printed Name		Signature			

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